

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 (currently amended). A fuel cell power generating system comprising:

- a fuel cell unit having a coolant circulation system;
- a water storage tank for supply water to serve as coolant for said fuel cell unit;
- a water treatment system for purifying said supply water in said water storage tank and supplying said purified supply water as coolant to said fuel cell unit;
- a heating ~~means~~ device for heating water;
- a hot water storage tank for hot water acquired by said heating ~~means~~ device; and
- a condensed-water supply system for supplying said water storage tank with condensed water obtained by condensing steam from said hot water in said hot water storage tank,

wherein said condensed-water supply system has a heat exchanger for condensing steam from said hot water in said hot water storage tank by cooling that steam with auxiliary water to be supplied to said hot water storage tank and recovering said condensed water, and a condensed-water supply path for supplying said condensed water recovered by said heat exchanger to said water storage tank.

2 (currently amended). The fuel cell power generating system according to claim 1, wherein said heating ~~means~~ device is constructed in such a way as to be able to heat water by using heat generated when said fuel cell unit generates power.

3 (cancelled).

4 (currently amended). The fuel cell power generating system according to any one of claims 1 [[to 3]] and 2, wherein said hot water storage tank is provided inside with a partition for defining a plurality of rooms in said hot water storage tank in such a way that said hot water heated by

said heating ~~means~~ device is led into one of said rooms and steam from said hot water in that room is supplied to said condensed-water supply system.

5 (currently amended). A method of operating a fuel cell power generating system comprising a fuel cell unit having a coolant circulation system, a water storage tank for supply water to serve as coolant for said fuel cell unit, a water treatment system for purifying said supply water in said water storage tank and supplying said purified supply water as coolant to said fuel cell unit, a heating ~~means~~ device for heating water, and a hot water storage tank for hot water acquired by said heating ~~means~~ device, said method comprising the steps of:

condensing steam from said hot water in said hot water storage tank; and

supplying said water storage tank with condensed water ~~obtaining~~ obtained by condensing steam from said hot water in said hot water storage tank.

6 (currently amended). A fuel cell power generating system comprising:

a fuel cell power generating equipment for generating power by reacting the fuel gas containing a hydrogen gas with an oxidizing gas electrochemically[[,]] ;

a hot water storage tank for hot water heated by heat generated while power is generated by said fuel cell power generating equipment; and

an auxiliary water supply path for supplying auxiliary water to said hot water storage tank,

said fuel cell power generating equipment having a fuel cell stack, a coolant circulation path for regulating a temperature of said fuel cell stack, a heat exchanger for condensing steam in an exhaust gas discharged from said fuel cell stack and recovering said condensed water, water purifying equipment for purifying water recovered by said heat exchanger and supplying said

purified water as coolant to said coolant circulation path, and a heating means device for heating water to provide hot water using said coolant,

~~whereby~~ wherein said heat exchanger is provided in said auxiliary water supply path, and condenses said steam in said exhaust gas by cooling said steam with said auxiliary water flowing in said auxiliary water supply path.

7 (currently amended). A method of operating a fuel cell power generating system comprising a fuel cell power generating equipment for generating power by reacting the fuel gas containing a hydrogen gas with an oxidizing gas electrochemically, a hot water storage tank for hot water heated by heat generated while power is generated by said fuel cell power generating equipment, and an auxiliary water supply path for supplying auxiliary water to said hot water storage tank, wherein

said fuel cell power generating equipment has a fuel cell stack, a coolant circulation path for regulating a temperature of said fuel cell stack, a heat exchanger for condensing steam in an exhaust gas discharged from said fuel cell stack and recovering said condensed water, water purifying equipment for purifying supply water recovered by said heat exchanger and supplying said purified water as coolant to said coolant circulation path, and a heating means device for heating water to provide hot water using said coolant, and

said heat exchanger is provided in said auxiliary water supply path, and condenses said steam in said exhaust gas by cooling said steam with said auxiliary water flowing in said auxiliary water supply path.

8 (new). A fuel cell power generating system according to claim 1, wherein the condensed water is distilled water whose impurities have a low concentration.

9 (new). A fuel cell power generating system according to claim 6, wherein the condensed water is distilled water whose impurities have a low concentration.

10 (new). A fuel cell power generating system according to claim 1, wherein the heating device is a heater.

11 (new). A fuel cell power generating system according to claim 6, wherein the heating device is a heater.

12 (new). A fuel cell power generating system according to claim 4, wherein the partition is formed of a synthetic resin.